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Editorials.

WITH this number is ended the editorial year. After many days and nights of hard work, the senior editors retire to make room for a new board. They do so with regret and sadness,—regret at having done so little,—sadness that the most pleasant part of their college life is past. But it is always so. A college editor serves just long enough to learn to love his work and disappears. But if others soon forget his work, he never will. Besides many pleasant things, it gives him a knowledge of the world and a real experience in journalism afforded by nothing else. Schools of journalism are good, but the best school of journalism is real work on a college paper. "Knowledge comes but wisdom lingers," is not true of a college editor that is faithful. He moves with the college world and gets his share of criticism.

Trying to carry out their original policy, the retiring board have given the UNDERGRADUATE much time and work. Work for the paper has been considered, not an incidental for leisure hours, but a duty. To be a college editor is to get lasting good; and, if the paper has helped the college or made anybody love her better, the editors are doubly paid.

The most pleasant thing of all has been our correspondence with the alumni, who have helped and encouraged us by practical hints and kind words. The Faculty, too, have given material aid. To both we extend our thanks; with both we would join in friendship for each other and loyalty to Middlebury College.

We are glad to leave the paper in a good financial condition. Our business manager, Mr. Goddard, has united hard work with tact; and, although the expenses of the last year have been large, yet he leaves he paper out of debt. The thanks of all are due him. The position of business manager is important, and the association will do well to exercise care in election. Never elect a man to give him a business education. It would be just as sensible to play a man in a league game because he needed practice. Editors and business managers should work with *direct* reference to each other. Without this, but little can be done.

To the new board let us say: Do not begrudge the time you give your college paper. It will pay. Improvement in the expression of thought is the need of all of us. Good work for the UNDERGRADUATE will give you this, and, in addition, an experience that will go with you into the world. Whatever your profession, you will have a marked advantage over those who have never used a blue pencil or knit their brows over proof.

There is a spirit shown by many newspapers to please everybody. Avoid this. Do not cater too closely to the sentiment of Faculty and students; it will make the paper popular at home, but influential nowhere. Try to characterize your policy by improvement and just criticism. A college professor is not above criticism, nor will telling the truth be a cause

for discipline. Be sure you are right, then strike and strike *hard*. An ounce of dynamite is worth a ton of fire-crackers. It is better to drive a nail home with one blow from a sledge than to spend a week striking at it with a tack-hammer. Of course you will not criticise for the sake of criticism, but let everybody know that the UNDERGRADUATE, whenever there is cause, is prepared for a lively fire all along the line. This policy, and this policy only, will move the college and bring about reforms, and reforms are needed.

In conclusion, the senior editors again thank all for help given and interest shown, and say to the new board, God speed you.

INVENTION is finding out what to say; Style how to say it. In its lower forms, Style encroaches on the domain of grammar; in its higher forms it enters the region of imagination and thought, of taste and fancy. Any expression of thought, however commonplace, can be uttered awkwardly or elegantly, concisely or diffusely, or in a hundred other ways. Important as is invention, though a thought may be in itself a rough, uncut diamond, yet, like the diamond untouched by the jeweler's skilful hand, thought, deprived of the paring and polishing of style, will be passed unheeded or even spat upon with contempt.

In a general way, say just what is meant, no more, no less. In choice of words, put the right word in the right place; for synonyms are deceitful and propriety is a virtue. Ambiguity is felony and should be punished as such. Who does not love the clear, forcible, harmonious writer, whatever may be the construction of his sentences? And who does not turn away in disgust from a porridge of metaphors and figures? Words are the materials of which our literary structures are composed, sentences the walls, and figures the ornaments. But as there are numberless styles of architecture, so the author must fit his style to his theme though he may press upon it the stamp of his individuality. And though every writer has a style peculiarly his own, yet practice is the one thing needful to become master of the art.

> "True ease in writing comes from art, not chance,
> As those move easiest who have learned to dance."

THE Kaleidoscope will be out before the next issue of the UNDERGRADUATE. Next to the regular publication, the Annual is the best index of what a college really is, and the Juniors are evidently doing their best to perform their part. The Editors are pushing their work, and in every way the coming Annual will be worthy of the college. Every friend of old Middlebury should have a copy; for it requires an endless amount of work to issue the book and it is not carried through as a money-making scheme.

THE article in the last number of the UNDERGRADUATE criticising anonymous communications was direct, and, on the whole, well taken. Yet there are certain ideas which are not above criticism. Though it would be much better if communications were signed, yet circumstances are frequently such as to make it unadvisable. To throw custom wholly aside, it often would be unwise for the author to reveal himself. Nor could he be called a sneak or a coward for remaining *incognito*. Nor is the influence of his communication so materially lessened, in even a minority of cases, as one might be led to suppose. Instances where anonymous communications have accomplished their end can be cited quite as frequently as on the other hand. Few desire to "save some whining grumbler from exposure"; for he is an omnipresent nuisance. But much depends on who and what is to be criticised. There are men on our Faculty who would take a just and reasonable criticism in the spirit it was given; and there are men who would not. At the same time no student in criticising his fellows alone, should make use of this much-abused weapon; nor in any other case where it is possible to avoid it. For it is true that a reform is much needed in this department of the UNDERGRADUATE.

AT the annual meeting of the Vermont Intercollegiate League, held in Burlington March 9, our delegates as well as those from N. U. were not a little surprised at the withdrawal from the league of U. V. M. Yet perhaps it ought to have been expected. For, to those who have closely observed the relations of the three colleges for the past two years and who have carefully followed the course of events, this was a move typical of U. V. M. The U. V. M. delegates had been instructed by their association to withdraw, giving as their reasons that their games with Middlebury and N. U. were financial losses and that they wished to enter the league with Williams, Dartmouth, etc. As to this we should have nothing to say had U. V. M. taken a manly course in withdrawing. Yet those who know U. V. M. and her students best, know it

would be idle to expect from them what could be taken for granted in dealing with honorable men. Now U. V. M.'s withdrawal was not in itself dishonorable; nor will we *say* that it was anyway; and though men intent on besmirching the fair name of Vermont's only university, have insinuated (for they dare not say so openly) that her ball team left Middlebury's grounds at the behests of a gang of gamblers, yet we do not believe this of men whom we know are as honorable as—any in U. V. M. Her treatment of visiting nines has always been a matter of very favorable comment—among themselves. It has been and is against the constitution of the league for any college to play professionals; and our neighbor has of course been very precise and exact in this respect, inasmuch as she has continually played all the professionals and non-students she could secure. All these facts make the league very dear to us, and though it is very hard to lose U. V. M., yet Dartmouth, Amherst and Williams will be delighted to receive the Vermont Agricultural and State Experiment Station into their league.

IT is only a question of time as to when Starr Hall shall be heated by steam or hot water. It cannot be that the college will continue a policy which, on the basis of economy, no business firm would endure, and as a matter of health and convenience demands immediate reform. Visitors always remark the pleasant and comfortable rooms we occupy, and surely the opportunity greatly to improve our dormitory and at the same time save money to both college and students will not be long neglected.

While we cannot begin to consider all the reasons for this change, a few points may be mentioned. Our rooms could be heated at three-fifths of the present cost. This estimate makes allowance for heating, study, bed-room and halls. No account is made for the cheaper rate of coal when bought in quantities, nor for the original cost of stoves, etc. It also employs a lower average for the present cost of heating than is actually the case. As a matter of convenience the importance of the change cannot be over-estimated. Our little stoves are a constant bother, continually going out, filling our rooms with dust and ruining our furniture. The UNDERGRADUATE has always had a good word for our janitor, and this change would greatly lighten his duties. Then our stoves are unhealthy. The late Vice-president Wheeler used to say, "I want some vitality in the air I breathe"; and for this reason he would not use coal-stoves. At present our rooms vary greatly in temperature. In the coldest weather it is impossible to maintain an even temperature, while in both spring and fall it is equally impossible to keep a fire that will ward off the dampness without making the rooms unbearably hot. It is not pleasant to break through three or four inches of ice on a cold winter's morning in order to get water to polish up one's eyes sufficiently to enable them to interpret the hieroglyphics in a Briggs' analytics. We are not asking for a luxury. In the light of economy and health it is a necessity. We believe the matter will not end in idle talk. An effort must be made to push it through before another Freshman class is here. As students we are willing to give liberally from our own pockets in order to have this change made. And certainly there are alumni who would gladly help us in this direction, if there are those who responded liberally to a call for the benefit of the production of deformed hands and broken noses.

THE retiring editors wish to commend the musical association for the great improvement it has brought about in chapel singing. The ladies of the college, especially, are worthy of praise for the part they have taken in the matter. The sincere thanks of all the students are due them. If any one has doubted the usefulness of co-education, let him bear in mind that in this instance, at least, the ladies have proved themselves inferior to none of those who lay claim to superiority.

SOME were disappointed at the non-observance of Washington's birth-day. This is not intended as a criticism of '89 for their failure to hold memorial exercises. At the same time we, as a people, can not make too much of such occasions. Their importance as educational factors cannot be over-estimated. This is especially true of American colleges whose students will soon be leaders of the American public. Impressing upon them what such observances should mean, they, in turn, will be active in teaching the public history, if nothing more; and there is no ignorance so general as ignorance of history and the lessons to be learned from it. With all our intelligence, Americans care nothing for the past, but are intent only on the present. Each of these occasions should be observed. The thirtieth of April will soon be here and

it would be appropriate for Middlebury to observe the day in a fitting manner. It is not necessary that a heavy financial burden be placed on the shoulders of the class presenting a program. Better it were not so. But in the name and for the sake of all that is patriotic let not Middlebury fail to notice the occasion. Will the Seniors improve the opportunity or will it be left to the Juniors to do so?

Literary.

A VACATION SKETCH.

THEY stood by the door of the station,
And using the slang of the day,
While tapping the scales with her boot heel,
She said: "Will you give me a weigh?"

But he with a smile drawing nearer,
And murmuring low: "If I may,
I think I had much rather keep you,
Than give you away."

SONNET.

COME, welcome darkness of the summer night,
Who bringest gentle peace and rest to all,
Now o'er the earth let thou thy garment fall,
Shutting its weary life from out my sight.

The dying day has left a faint dim light.
Above, the moon swings on through time's vast hall,
With grand and solemn might, like some great ball
Drawn by an angel in his ceaseless flight.

Come, welcome darkness, bring my spirit rest.
Fill up my soul with quiet like thine own,
Till all the troubles of the gloomy dav
Shall one by one forsake my care-worn breast,
And I in peace shall stand here all alone
Rejoicing 'neath thy gentle welcome sway.

L. W. A.

ABOUT THE GREECE OF TODAY.

WHILE the Greece which the scholar loves, the Greece of "song and story," has passed away, leaving only a few broken relics as mementos of her grandeur, the scholar still finds enjoyment in the Greek achievements of to-day. He sees Greece once more an independent State, striving to emulate the deeds of her worthy ancestors. With joy he sees her rise from the debased condition of the past two thousand years and with curious looks stare about her to see what the world has been doing.

We can but feel that the orthography of the country has suffered as much as anything. The music of Homer's hexameter is poorly supplanted by the New-Hellenic of to-day. But since the overthrow of the Turkish rule the Greeks have made an attempt to bring back to their language something of its lost beauty. They have accomplished much in restoring old words to old objects, but the ideas of modern times often seem oddly clothed in the language of their fathers.

The thoughts of the Greek are all in the past, while his words and actions are in the present. He zealously guards everything that may remind him of that ancient glory of which he is so justly proud, but until recently he has done little to make himself worthy of praise. With the realization that he possessed individuality and something better was possible for him, his advance has been marked.

Those of us to whom the old Greek life is a reality can hardly imagine railroads, canals and steamships connected with that classic land. It is the same land but now stripped of its classics. As we see the changes to-day our minds continually fly back over the years until we are lost in the reverie. The two ages do not fit together. We live on a high plane of life; so did they—too high perhaps. Perhaps human nature outdid itself, and the two thousand years of almost oblivion are but the reaction. If such is the case and the law of action and reaction still holds true, what must have been the primary force?

The modern Greeks realize that the surest way to regain their lost honors is to educate their people. In this direction they have done much. But as we wander back to other days we feel the incongruity of studying electricity and engineering on the very ground where the Stoics and Epicureans once contended for their philosophies. While we are dwelling on the past, we could almost wish that modern Greece did not exist—the contrast is so great. We could wish that a sponge were drawn over the present, that the Greece of ignorance and turmoil, tottering, halting Greece, as she tries to catch up with modern times, were wiped out, and that we held only the remembrance of the war-loving, philosophical, poetical Greece. But we will not wish it. Perhaps the sun of her grandeurs has not yet set. She is still a land of myths, of achievements, of simplicity. If the reaction has really set in, and that for the right, she may yet take her place among the nations and send forth men to bless her own land and humanity.

The New York *World* and the Rutland *Herald* think the Cornell School of Journalism a farce, but papers that cater to the lowest elements in society are not fit judges.

Alumni Department.

REMINISCENCES.

WHEN a loyal son of the soil revisits the old homestead after many years of wandering, he approaches the fond, familiar scenes with mingled feelings of curiosity, reverence and dread. Has the old place changed? Will it look as it used to look? Have alien hands torn down the trellises? And is the grind-stone in the well? With some such feelings and with some such questionings does a wandering son return to his college after many days. And as I have lately experienced this "return of the native" I will tell you, O Marcellus, how it seemed to me.

The trees are taller, my dear boy, than they used to be when you and I were young and like us they have grown a trifle larger round the waist. The park seems a little smaller than it did before we saw the prairies, but the base-ball ground still wears the diamond cut by classic feet. And I presume in summer days the fair maids of Perth behold the mighty conquests of the whirling sphere as in other days, when you caught her eye and muffed the ball, you know. Old Painter's Hall has been transformed since our day, but I was glad to see, however, that with all their improvements they had not been able to dig out the big initials that you dug in the stone one ambitious day when you resolved that your name should descend to posterity. It will, for posterity has already begun to show up, and old "Pythagoras" has a son in college this year and, *mirabile dictu*, "Ajax" sends a daughter, next. Ah, yes, old man, things have changed since we were here. The old benches, behind which we used to engage in very energetic intellectual pursuits and demonstrate the doctrine of atmospheric pressure, have disappeared, and in their places the recitation rooms are furnished with modern seats, so that each individual heir—but I wander. There have been many changes that one who has not seen the college for several years will notice, and while some of the old landmarks are missed, yet it must be owned that all these changes are for the better. The college is the same; its life goes on, its years fill up, but the college is the same—our alma mater. In one sense she changes not. The old memories are about her still, her faithfulness to her children, her courage and brave heart, her devotion to the truth — all these are with her still. We miss the old faces—the familiar forms—the unforgotten voices. But they live in memory and those who come after are no less worthy than those who went before. There are only one or two members of the faculty that we know. It seems strange—and sad—to see the old college and miss those dear familiar faces. But that is life, my boy. And to you and to any other loyal son of Middlebury it must be a good and pleasant thing to know that the interests of the college are in faithful hands. The years come and go, but the *college* remains. Professors change, but the *institution* lives on. The college has a history and it will have a future. It has a work to do and it will do it faithfully and well. One thing the college needs that you and I can give—that every alumnus, rich or poor, can give, and ought to give. And that is our faith and loyalty and devotion. Let us give cheerfully, ungrudgingly, gladly. The great mother heart misses it when withheld and cherishes it when given. Middlebury college was a good mother to us—let us be loyal and loving sons to her. And let none think that the old days were better than these or than the days to come. The college, in our time, has never been so well equipped financially and otherwise for good and great work as today. And, my boy, the future is bright. Away with melancholy! Middlebury has renewed her strength and when you think of her, think of her as flourishing in immortal youth; when you speak of her, speak of her with tenderness, with devotion and with pride. And come back to Commencement.

AN OLD BOY.

THE REPLIES.

As fast as convenient we are sending the alumni a copy of the following circular:

Dear Friend:—Will you kindly send the UNDERGRADUATE, for publication, a *brief* reply to the following questions:

1. What studies of your college course have proved of the most practical service to you?
2. Did the college fail to furnish instruction of which you have since felt the need?
3. What changes does experience lead you to recommend in the course of study?
4. If you were going through college again, would you take Greek?
5. Do you favor the Latin-Scientific course?
6. Are you in favor of our system of examinations? If not, what changes would you recommend?
7. Do you think co-education has been or is a benefit to Middlebury College?
8. Are you in favor of the admission of students on the certificates of preparatory schools?
9. In what respect do you think the UNDERGRADUATE could be improved?

10. What have you to say in a general way on the line of thought suggested by the foregoing questions?

In replying, please give class and profession.

The response, though good, is not as general as it ought to be. Those who have put their education to the test of real life are, of all, best qualfied to judge of our curriculum, and we want each alumnus to send us a reply. Below are printed the replies received up to date. The omission of a number indicates that no opinion was expressed on that question:

Ex-Congressman C. T. HURLBURD, '29, lawyer. 1. Latin and English Literature. 3. Less higher mathematics, more history; more knowledge of government, especially and pre-eminently our own. 4. Yes, to understand our own language and the Book of Books. 8. Yes, with reserved right to test by examinations if desirable.

GEORGE E. PLUMBE, '61, journalist, *Chicago Daily News*. The first question needs amendment by strikout the word "practical." I regard it as one of the most valuable crowns that Middlebury college wears, that she has not prostituted education to utilitarianism. To the question so amended I would answer that the most useful studies were the classics. 2. The college did fail, in 1861, and does now, in not instructing its students in the science of our government. The student left college with as little knowledge of our constitution and the history of our politics and national growth as a fresh arrival from Bohemia. If the student had no taste for politics, he knew hardly enough to vote in town meeting at graduation. 3. In many studies the change ought to be made from text-books to lectures. In the sciences, like physics, changes and discoveries are made every year that make a textbook obsolete. 4. I would drop almost anything else rather than Greek. It is, par excellence, *the* disciplinary study. 5. Yes, but the more Latin and the less practical science the better. The college cannot compete with special scientific schools, and it should prepare for such schools rather than attempt to give a smattering of anything. 7. I judge co-education has not been a benefit to the college chiefly because young women do not avail themselves of the opportunities it offers. 8. No. One criticism I have often made of Middlebury college is that it is so anxious for students that it admits those too poorly fitted. A poorly fitted student practically loses the first year of his college course and never catches up. I know this from personal experience. Demand thorough preparation and the diploma is half won. 9. It answers its purpose very well. But let it reflect student and college life rather than dabble in politics. Its articles last fall on, Why I am a Democrat or Republican, were too weak for a district school exhibition. 10. There is much that might be said by way of generalization. The college is too modest by far. It should make a prompt and energetic movement in the direction of sounding its own advantages—advertising itself, if you please to so put it. There is no need in the world of Middlebury college having a score, or less, students in its classes. Let its officers understand that "mousing about" among the academies of Vermont alone will not fill its class-rooms. There are other preparatory schools than those among the Green Mountains.

LYMAN H. BLAKE, '63, clergyman, pastor Congregational church, Westfield, Mass. 1. Greek. 2. No. 3. I think the present course brings about the end of a college education—culture. 4. Yes; I would advise every student to take it. 5. Yes. 7. Yes. 8. That depends; on the whole, no. 9. The UNDERGRADUATE is doing a very commendable work. Frequent alumni articles would be good. This is, however, "easier said than done."

HENRY L. BAKER, '69, teacher, principal of the Jefferson School, St. Paul, Minn. 1. English composition and the sciences. 2. Yes, in literature and the sciences. Geology, botany and physiology were not properly taught. I had to study to teach a school physiology. I knew nothing of hygiene. 3. Less Latin, Greek and Mathematics. More drill in the art of expression and in mental science. 4. Only into the Anabasis. 5. Somewhat. 6. Yes, but not of a daily marking system. That is an abomination. 7. Yes, there is *no education* of the man that is not co-education. Any other system is a libel on civilization, a relic of darkness and an insult to mankind. 8. Yes. 9. By making it more of a local paper. Let it follow the alumni and alumnæ to the ends of the earth and herald all their success until they die. Who cares for essays on Plato or Cæsar by undergraduates? 10. Think what specialists students would be if they spent as much time upon any one science as they do upon Latin and Greek. In 1889 the present plan has no excuse. It would be wise to add some post-graduate course—non-resident study.

F. B. DENIO, '71, professor of Old Testament Language and Literature, Bangor Theological Seminary. 1. Every one. During the five years subsequent to

my graduation I worked as a laborer in a manufacturing establishment, and, in the relations into which I was brought during those five years, every study, including differential calculus, was of practical value to me. Since that time the studies of chief value to me have been those of the classical, English and philosophical departments. 2. Yes, in modern languages. 3. If this means the general departments of study which were pursued, I should recommend no change other than that suggested above under "2." 4. I should on no account omit it. 5. Not for any friend of mine. 8. Yes; that is, when a school is in the habit of securing faithful work and giving an honest certificate. 10. My experience has shown me that in linguistic study I should have been greatly benefited if a fraction of the time given to the study of the classics, say one-third, had been devoted to rapid translation without any reference to the application of the grammar. In regard to the modern languages, they were optional in an optional "short term" which has now passed away. My impression is that there are more weeks study now than when I was in college, and that the lack which I felt has been made up. I have felt the great importance of the department of philosophy, and in my later philosophical reading have suffered from not having had a proper text-book in the study of moral philophy. If there had not been an unusually good teacher in the chair, the text-book would have swamped teacher and class. My mind has been gravitating toward the opinion that the only way to teach moral philosophy is through carefully elaborated written lectures in connection with a good book of reference.

A. E. Clark, '71, journalist, editor Malone (N. Y.) *Farmer*. 1. Latin and English literature. 2. Yes. 3. Make the course more practical. 4. No. 5. Yes. 6. Examinations are all right. 7. Yes. 8. Yes. 9. It is good enough. 10. Keep the college abreast of the times.

Henry M. Ladd, '72, pastor Euclid Avenue Congregational Church, Cleveland, O. 1. The natural sciences and mental and moral philosophy. 2. Yes, especially in modern languages and English literature and elocution. These were taught, but not enough was made of them. 3. Changes have been made in the course of study. I believe the college is doing its best to keep up with the times. 4. Yes, but more of something else. 5. Yes, for some students. 7. I do not know what the effect has been on Middlebury college. I do not believe in co-education. 8. Yes. 9. I like it as it is. 10. That Middlebury college is in my estimation the best of the smaller colleges in the country; that it is under wise and efficient management; that I have such confidence in this management that I have no disposition to emphasize opinions of my own.

George W. Brooks, '73, clergyman, Charlestown, Mass. 1. The classics and the higher mathematics. 2. Yes, in history. No course of reading was pointed out. In my opinion lectures should be delivered on how to use the library. 3. More attention to extemporaneous speaking. Less Latin and Greek composition than at present; the sentences to be rendered into these languages are juvenile in the extreme and belittling. Let the culture and knowledge be otherwise obtained. Some Latin authors could profitably be substituted in the place of Livy; he is exceedingly dry. By lectures the students should have their minds more thoroughly aroused in regard to the Greek and Latin poets and orators. I do not approve of devoting so much time in Freshman and Sophomore years to classical history and antiquities. In Freshman year introduce the study of some valuable work on sociology. The course in that year is too ancient, and the same objection can be raised against the prescribed course of Sophomore year. 4. Yes. 5. Yes. We cannot bring every one to our ideal standard. This is an age of large liberty, and students must have some freedom in the selections of their studies. 6. Should favor written examinations. 7. I do not know. In general I would say that seemingly co-education would result in refinement of manners. Many of the students in our college are farmers' sons, or they come from the country villages, and they exceedingly need that polish and grace of manners which can be acquired only in society. 8. Yes, under certain restrictions. 9. By the graduates showing more interest in the paper; our end, not yours, needs reforming.

C. M. Wilds, '75, lawyer, State's Attorney of Addison county. 3, 4. Greek should be altogether eliminated from the course. 7. Whether or not the college has derived any benefit from the admission of ladies to the class-room I have no definite impression. But that this facility should be extended to the ladies is due the community in which the college has its existence.

Henry W. Hulbert, '79, professor of History in Marietta College. 1. The classics and elocution. 2. Yes, that knowledge of Greek and Latin which would

make it easy to read mediæval authors in the original. 4. Yes, and more of it. 9. It is interesting at present. 10. Hebrew should be taken as an optional the last term of Senior year. There should be a quarter of an hour daily of compulsory voice drill.

Communications.

The editors do not assume responsibility for any article in this column. Its sentiments, however, are open to editorial criticism.

EDITORS OF UNDERGRADUATE:

Hot water heating is no longer an experiment. While it is a late invention, it has already proved itself the most economical, healthful and safe method of heating yet introduced. The noted Dr. Hammond says: "Of all means of heating, that by hot water is to be preferred." Let us see a few advantages over steam heating. It is vastly more economical, as with steam the water in the boiler must be kept boiling as long as heat is to be generated, thus requiring more fire in warmer weather than should be necessarary. The apparatus is much simpler, and thus not only needs less care but costs less for repairs. No heat is procured by means of steam till the boiling point is reached, while with hot water heat is generated at once. The fuel thus saved is, by actual tests, over thirty per cent. There is no danger of explosion, or fire. With hot water there is no cracking or "pounding." The heat is of a milder and more agreeable character. The body receives heat by radiation, while cold air is present for breathing. As over stoves, besides the economy, freedom from noxious gases, evenness of temperature and a moist, healthful air are a few of the advantages.

The present method of heating Starr Hall is not economical. By putting in improved methods and charging students but a fraction of their present expense, the college could make a large rate of interest on its investment. By saving three-fourths of the amount now paid for coal, how long would it take to pay for the improved apparatus? If possible, the change should be made. Is it possible?

JOHN M. THOMAS.

EDITORS OF UNDERGRADUATE:

With the postponement of Field-Day last fall it was tacitly agreed that the sports should be finished in the spring. It seems that this change would be of benefit to all concerned, if made permanent, for three reasons:

1. We seldom have had people enough present to make the sports especially interesting. The principal reason for this has been an unfavorable day, due either to the temperature or to a storm.

2. As class rivalry generally attracts much of the attention of the lower classes, especially the Freshman, in the beginning of the fall term, they seldom pay any attention to training, and thus our records are often lower than they might otherwise have been.

3. The training for a spring meeting, in which many of the ball-team would take part, would not only insure better training, but numbers would give it zest, and so benefit the team by the extra training as well as insure good records.

A. A. LAVERY.

Town and Campus.

The Freshman class dined at President Brainerd's Feb. 22.

New diplomas are being engraved for the Latin-scientific graduates.

Several of the fellows have suffered from light attacks of the German measles.

Professor Paton is giving a series of readings from Terence on Monday afternoons.

There are rumors about the campus of a literary course to be established next year.

The chapel singing has improved since the choir organized and began to hold rehearsals.

Ross, '90, was called home for a few days by the illness of his father, Dr. L. D. Ross, '52.

J. E. Mead, '90, has been elected president of the Y. M. C. A. in the place of W. K. Dunton, '89.

Eighty-nine did not perpetuate the celebration of Washington's birthday, inaugurated by eighty-eight.

Rev. T. G. Thompson lectured in the Y. M. C. A. hall, March 6, on "The Church of Rome in America."

The New England Association of Chi Psi banqueted at the Thorndike in Boston, March 4. Rev. C. S. Murkland, Middlebury, '81, was elected Vice-President of the association.

The KALEIDOSCOPE is to contain portraits and biographical sketches of Professor H. M. Seely and Hon. Aldace F. Walker, '62. A part of the editorial board

are to remain in town during vacation to work on the volume.

Professors Eaton and Paton are drilling the Juniors for Junior Ex.

President Brainerd has heard from thirty men who intend to enter '93.

Miss Jessie Yager gave a very pleasant dancing party at her home March 8.

Mrs. Professor Eaton entertained a party of students and others March 19.

Mrs. Professor Wright has been seriously ill with pneumonia, but is improving.

Professor Howard is giving the Seniors a second series of lectures on Constitutional Law.

Professor Howard lectured in the Y. M. C. A. course Feb. 19, on "The Hero of the Century."

Professor and Mrs. Yager gave a reception, March 20, to the members of the Senior class, and their lady friends.

B. W. Norton entertained the Junior class at his home in Weybridge, March 19, in celebration of his birthday.

The last of the series of charity balls, held at the town hall, March 1, was the most largely attended of the series.

Professor Paton lectured in New Haven March 4, and Professor Eaton lectured in the same course March 11.

The resident college graduates of Rutland are to form a University Club. Middlebury will have the largest representation.

Professor Seely spoke on "The Increase of the Arable Lands in the United States" at the farmers' meeting held in town last month.

Our athletes should remember that Field-Day comes about the first of June this year. Hard training is the price of fame and gold medals.

Most of the college attended the annual town meeting, and several recitations were omitted, so intense was the interest in local politics.

The proposed dramatic entertainment for the benefit of the Athletic Association has been given up, on account of general lack of interest.

Junior Ex. is no longer heralded by groups of mysteriously whispering Sophomores, in chapel, streeet, or hall. "*Aries requiescat in pace.*"

Austin, '89, returned from Florida March 6. While away he visited Jacksonville and St. Augustine, and stopped in Washington during the inauguration.

President Brainerd spoke on Electricity before the Bristol High School March 15. The lecture was illustrated with a number of experiments.

Pease, '90, Harmon, '91, and Reilly, '91, took part in the farce "Hearing and Believing," given at Mr. Smith Beckwith's residence in aid of the Ladies' Library.

Every member of the Faculty, with one exception, is a Phi Beta Kappa man. It is to be hoped that they are feeding the goat of the Beta of Vermont for the benefit of '89.

Among the social events of the past month have been card parties given by Miss Sophie Wainwright, Miss Daisy Edgerton, Mrs. Fletcher Chapman and Miss Agnes Wainwright.

The Seniors have engaged Blaisdell's Orchestra of Concord, N. H., and Mr. J. H. Ricketson, tenor, of Boston, for their commencement concert. A number of other artists are under consideration.

The Swedish Quartette, J. Williams Macy, elocutionist, and Green's Colored Minstrels were among the recent attractions at the town hall. A Senior was seen taking notes at the latter entertainment.

Junior Exhibition occurs Tuesday evening, March 26, and is followed by the Junior ball. Music for the exhibition and dance is to be furnished by the Howard Opera House Orchestra. An old Brandon friend of the class is assisting them in the arrangements.

A meeting is to be conducted in the town hall, March 29, by State Superintendent Palmer of Waterbury, to discuss the duties and qualifications of county supervisors of schools. Addresses will be made by President Brainerd, Hon. W. E. Howard and others.

The U. V. M. Sophomores were fined ten dollars for stealing a Freshman on the occasion of the Dartmouth, '92, banquet in Burlington. It must have been an unusually fine specimen. Let Sophomores take warning, and not make way with such property unless supplied with the financial equivalent.

The ladies of the Congregational church held a calendar Kirmess at the town hall February 19 and 20. Twelve artistically decorated booths, presided over by young ladies appropriately costumed, represented the months. A large party from Brandon at-

tended the second night. The affair was a great success, financially and otherwise.

The third annual convention of the New England Intercollegiate Press Association met in Boston, Feb. 22. The banquet was held at Young's, about twenty-five delegates attending. Steps were taken for forming a national association of similar character. The UNDERGRADUATE association held a meeting on the 16th and decided, for some unknown reason, to send no representative.

The Senior class gave a banquet at the Addison House, Feb. 20, to W. K. Dunton, who has left college to go into business in the West. C. S. Severance officiated as toastmaster, and informal responses were given by several of the class. A committee was elected to arrange for a class reunion at the one hundredth commencement of the college in 1900. Dunton is located in Kearney, Nebraska, and has the best wishes of the college for his success.

The collection of Middlebury verse to be published by Austin and Cushman, '89, is being prepared for the press. The volume will be dedicated to John G. Saxe, and contain poems by J. G. Saxe, '39; Minister E. J. Phelps, '40; Dr. S. E. Rankin, '48; W. W. Gay, '76; I. E. Leonard, '79; H. R. Dorr, '80; J. C. Harvey, '82; and others. The selections are from work written during the student life of its authors, and will be of interest to every Middlebury man of earlier, or the present days.

The Athletic Association held a special meeting March 1. E. B. Clift, A. A. Lavery and E. C. Bryant were elected delegates to the annual meeting of the Vermont Intercollegiate Base Ball League. The delegates were instructed to take steps against the playing of medical students on the team of the University of Vermont. As will be seen in an account of the meeting in another column, the delegates from Middlebury and Norwich voted to exclude the medics. This action resulted in the withdrawal of the U. V. M. from the league. This will not prevent our manager from arranging games with the U. V. M. and Norwich, and it behooves the men to practice with spirit. The league is not essential to our base-ball interests, and if we allow the game to die, even for one year, the old players lose interest and skill. Let the men work well together and last year's record will be improved upon, while enough good material will develope to place us nearer the lead in the future, with the addition of players from '93.

THE VERMONT DELTA KAPPA EPSILON ASSOCIATION.

Members of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity, residing in Vermont, met at the Van Ness House in Burlington Friday, February 15, to organize a State Association of the fraternity. The undergraduates of the Middlebury chapter attended in a body, and Dartmouth sent up a delegation. Among the alumni were Rev. E. P. Lee, Amherst, '65, of Fair Haven; C. R. Turrill, Middlebury, '73, of Burlington; Rev. G. A. Smith, Madison, '74, of St. Albans; Col. E. C. Smith, Yale, '75, of St. Albans; Rev. C. F. Carter, Yale, '78, of Burlington; M. A. Brooks, Middlebury, '81, of Middlebury; I. R. Allen, Brown, '82, of Fair Haven: D. J. Foster, Dartmouth, '82, of Burlington; Prof. C. C. Brill, Syracuse, '85, of Northfield; F. E. Allen, Rensselaer, '86, of Fair Haven; Prof. F. A. Fernald, Dartmouth, '87, of Waterbury; J. A. Fletcher, Middlebury, '87, of Middlebury; F. C. Langworthy, Middlebury, '87, of Middlebury; G. R. Wales, Middlebury, '87, of Bristol; R. H. Lane, Middlebury, '88, of Proctorsville.

Early in the evening the members assembled in the large parlors, secured for their use, and later comers were guided thereto by the familiar songs of D. K. E. At 9 o'clock the association formally organized and elected the following officers: President, Rev. E. P. Lee; vice-presidents, Ex-Gov. S. E. Pingree, Dartmouth, '57, of Hartford, Col. E. C. Smith, Dr. J. A. Mead, Middlebury, '62, of Rutland, Rev. C. F. Carter; secretary, Prof. C. C. Brill; treasurer, G. R. Wales.

At 10 o'oclock the company gathered around a long table in the dining-hall, which was decorated with banners, flags and shields, bearing fraternity emblems. After the menu had been discussed the toastmaster, Rev. G. A. Smith, called for the following toasts, which were responded to with an accompaniment of fraternity songs: "The Fraternity," ex-Gov. Pingree (who was unexpectedly detained and sent his response); "The Association," Rev. E. P. Lee; "Culture and Life," D. J. Foster; "College Days," Prof. C. C. Brill; "Pi," C. G. DuBois, Dartmouth, '90; "The Fraternal Spirit," Rev. C. F. Carter; "Alpha Alpha," F. B. Boynton, Middlebury, '91; "Reminiscences," C. L. Turrill. Informal responses were given by I. R. Allen, F. E. Allen, F. A. Fernald, G. R. Wales, R. M. Collins, Middlebury, '89. Letters of regret from Col. A. F. Walker, Hon. G. Z.

Erwin, Judge A. S. Kellogg, Rev. D. R. Lowell and others were read. The gathering adjourned at two o'clock, but not until daybreak had the last group ceased their reminiscences and songs.

The association was organized through the efforts of the Middlebury chapter, and has a membership of fifty, including graduates from eleven chapters of the fraternity.

CHI PSI BANQUET.

Alpha Mu of Chi Psi held her third annual alumni banquet on Friday evening, Feb. 22. The attendance was larger than ever before, although many from neighboring towns were kept away by the severe storm. The early evening was spent at the Alpha's parlors. About ten o'clock nearly 30 began the excellent feast which the proprietor of the Addison House furnished. It was well after twelve when the toast-master, State's Attorney Wilds, rapped for order. Mr. Wilds is never very dull, but on this occasion he was wittier than ever. The following toasts were responded to:

The Absent Brothers, - - - - -	H. R. Dorr, '80.
To the Freshmen, - - - - -	E. G. Hunt, '57.
The Fraternity, - - - - - - -	Joel Linsley, '68.
The Fraternity Influence, - - - - -	Dr. C. B. Ross, '82.
Alpha Mu, - - - - - - - - -	F. F. Douglas, '89.
Our Hero, - - - - - - - - -	E. L. Allen, '88.
The Ladies, - - - - - - - -	F. L. Bell, '91.
Alpha Mu's Alumni - - - - - -	C. B. F. Palmer, '83.

The resident alumni spoke of the position the Alpha held at present in terms of greatest satisfaction. Bright hopes were also expressed for the future of the college. Letters of regret were read from Brothers Rev. Gemont Graves, '47, and Rev. R. S. Holmes, '62. The alumni present were as follows: E. G. Huut, '57, New Haven; Dr. M. H. Eddy, '60; Joel Linsley, '68, Burlington; Col. Thad M. Chapman, '68; C. M. Wilds, '75; H. R. Dorr, '80, Rutland; Dr. Carrol B. Ross, '82, West Rutland; C. B. F. Palmer, '83, Woodsville, N. H.; Geo. Stewart, '83, W. M. Ross, '86, Rutland; H. W. Denio, '88, Port Henry, N. Y.; E. L. Allen, '88, Rutland, W. S. Edgerton, '88, Middlebury.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE VERMONT INTERCOLLEGIATE BASE-BALL LEAGUE.

The annual meeting of the Vermont Intercollegiate Base-Ball League was held at the University of Vermont, March 2. Two delegates, E. S. Isham and A. M. Norton, were present from U. V. M; two, W. E. Terrill and A. R. Shaw, from N. U., and three, E. B. Clift, A. A. Lavery and E. C. Bryant from Middlebury.

The games played by U. V. M. last spring being contested on the ground that she played professionals, considerable time was given to a discussion of the pennant, which was finally given to U. V. M.

The following officers were then elected: President, F. L. Moore, U. V. M.; Vice-Presidents, W. H. Sprague, Northfield, and E. C. Bryant, Middlebury; Secretary and Treasurer, A. A. Lavery, Middlebury; Judiciary Committee, E. B. Clift, Middlebury, C. F. Parker, Northfield, J. W. Jackson, U. V. M.

Mr. Isham then informed the delegates that the U. V. M. delegation had been instructed at a college meeting held that morning, not to enter the league during the coming season, but after considerable discussion a vote to request the U. V. M. to reconsider this was passed, and it was decided to complete the business of the meeting and arrange a schedule of games, including U. V. M., and that if the University decided not to enter the league none of the games would be played. It was also voted to play the games according to the National League rules.

Personals.

Information in regard to our Alumni is kindly solicited of all friends of the college. Notice will be given in our personal column to all communications regarding the same.

Prof. T. E. Boyce, chairman of the general-catalogue committee, desires information concerning the following alumni; all letters sent to them have been returned. If living their postoffice address is desired; if dead the date of their death and all other facts worthy of preservation will be thankfully received. Direct letters to Prof. T. E. Boyce, Middlebury, Vt.: Isaac N. Sprague, '22; Alexander N. Fullerton, '24; Edward Carrington, '32; Samuel R. Thrall, '35; Louis A. Doolittle, James T. Foster, Calvin Selden, of the class of '36; Henry Page, '37; Neill A. McMillam, '38; David S. T. Douglass, Edwin Everts, James Harran, David L. Hough, Woodbridge L. James, Alexander McLean, Anson H. Parmelee, of the class of '39; Lysander Kelsey, '40; Calvin C. Adams, '43; Joseph H. Barrett, '45; Guy C. Strong, '47; Robert E. Maranville, '48; Geo. W. Thomas, '53; Jeremiah N. Diament, '57; David H. Adams, '60; Eli H. Gale, '62; Anthony Carr, '69; Geo. H. Owen, '70; Albert F. Abbott, '72.

'38. The Rev. Dr. Sunderland, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Whashington, has been much annoyed of late years by people who visited his church on Sunday simply to see Mrs. Cleveland. Recently a party visited his church, but on learning that Mrs. Cleveland was not present they went away noisily. Advancing to the front of the platform, Dr. Sunderland said: "It is impossible for me to state how grieved I am at the exhibition of extreme rudeness just made by a few chance visitors to this church, who, being disappointed in their curious desires to look upon the face of one of our number, have left our midst for the more pleasurable though less hallowed enjoyment of their Sunday papers."

'40. Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt of New York recently gave a banquet in honor of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Phelps. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Levi P. Morton, Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey M. Depew and Mr. and Mrs. Abram S. Hewitt.

'45. The disease which is constantly threatening Dr. J. Adams Allen, President of Rush Medical College, Chicago, is stricture of the colon. He writes: "My disease is of such a character that I have to be constantly on guard and prepared for any emergency." He has presented his valuable medical library of nearly three thousand volumes to the Presbyterian Hospital of Chicago, with which Rush Medical College is in close connection.

'48. Dr. J. E. Rankin has recently contributed several poems to leading magazines.

'49. Dr. James W. Ranney died in New York March 1. Dr. Ranney was born at Townshend, Sept. 23, 1825, and was the son of W. R. Ranney, a former governor of Vermont. At 21 he entered Middlebury, but left at the end of Sophomore year, graduating subsequently at the New York Medical College. He then began practicing at Bennington, but soon after went to New York. For over twenty years he had been connected with twelve railroad companies as surgeon and attending physician.

'52. Dr. L. D. Ross, Poultney, has had a slight shock of paralysis. He is now able to be about and is taking charge of a part of his large practice.

'56. Prof. Chas. M. Mead of Andover Theological Seminary has just completed a course of lectures at Princeton College.

'57. E. G. Hunt recently delivered a lecture before Beeman Academy on an astronomical subject. Mr. Hunt was moderator of the New Haven town meeting.

'58. Albert W. Train is a successful lawyer in Zanesville, Ohio. He is attorney for a prominent railroad corporation, and was a delegate to the National Republican Convention.

'62. Judge L. E. Knapp attended the inauguration.

'62. We clip the following from the Burlington *Free Press:*

Col. Aldace F. Walker, who has accepted the chairmanship of the great Inter-State Railway Association of Western roads, is now in the full prime of an active and useful life. He was born in Rutland 47 years ago, the only son of the late Dr. Aldace Walker, a beloved and honored Congregational clergyman of Vermont. He graduated at Middlebury college about the time the war began, enlisted in the 11th Vermont volunteers, showed high spirit and capacity as a soldier, rose from a lieutenancy to the rank of lieutenant-colonel, commanded his regiment in the battle of Opequan, distinguished himself at Cedar Creek and in other pitched battles and came home at the close of the war with a splendid military record. He then studied law in the office of Hon. George F. Edmunds in this city, employing some of his leisure hours in writing the history of "The Vermont Brigade in the Shenandoah Valley"—one of the brightest and best contributions to the literature of the war that has appeared anywhere. In time he became a leading lawyer of the Rutland county bar; served a term in our State senate, in 1882, with high credit; and was pursuing his profession with high success, when after the passage of the inter-State commerce law, he was suddenly called to wider duties by his appointment as one of the inter-State commerce commissioners. His selection for this important position by President Cleveland was not due to political favoritism, for Col. Walker is an earnest Republican of the best Vermont stamp, but to his qualities as a strong, clear-headed, able, independent and honest man. That he has vindicated the choice by his high usefulness on the commission, and has won wide reputation for sound judgment as well as high ability, is shown by this tender to him of the very important position of chairman of the executive board of the new railway association. His salary in this office will be $25 000 a year, and he takes it upon a guaranty that it shall continue for a term of three years. He will remove his home and office to Chicago; and expects to enter upon the discharge of his new duties in about three weeks. How long the association, which is purely a voluntary affair, will last remains to be seen, but if the experiment—for such it is—fails, as some predict that it will and must, we are confident that the failure will not be the fault of its chairman. Meantime his host of friends in Vermont will congratulate him on the honors and emoluments of his new position, and will follow his new career with proud and cordial interest.

'62. We clip the following from a recent number of the Warren (Pa.) *Mail:*

One year ago Rev. R. S. Holmes began preaching in the Presbyterian Church of Warren. It is his first pastorate, he having been heretofore engaged in teaching and lecturing. But seldom has a new pastor done better. He has made 700 calls among nearly 500 church members widely separated. He has greatly pleased and satisfied his church and congregation. He has added largely to former attendance especially at the evening service. In a word, he has established, among all hearers, an enviable reputation as an earnest Christian, a ripe scholar and a pulpit speaker of superior power.

'63. P. E. Caldwell is superintendent of the Louisville Industrial school of Reform, Louisville, Ky.

'64. J. W. Burnham has removed from Apopka, Florida, to Tampa.

'66. Judge Julius Grinnell delivered an address on socialism to the Kenwood Club of Chicago March 15.

'68. Joel Linsley has been spending a few days in town.

'71. Prof. J. N. Mallory, principal of Thetford Academy, has been elected a member of the Board of Education of Orange county.

'71. Gideon E. Clark, editor of the Plankinton (Dak.) *Standard*, has recently started a monthly farmers' journal which promises to meet all the requirements of a first class agricultural paper.

'72. Prof. H. H. Ross of Rock Point Institute, Burlington, recently purchased a dwelling in that city to be occupied by his sister. The price paid was $4000.

'75, '81. State's Attorney C. M. Wilds was moderator of the Middlebury town meeting, and Milton A. Brooks was elected town clerk.

'81. Rev. James L. Barton is professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Theological Seminary at Harpoot, Turkey. He is also superintendent of about 80 common schools, in which there are 4000 students, and secretary of the Domestic Missionary Society of that place.

'81. James Clarence Harvey had an illustrated poem in a recent number of the Daily *Graphic*.

'84. R. S. Barton has been spending a few days in town with F. B. Hyde, '84. He preaches occasionally to the Congregational Church at Salisbury.

'86. Miss M. B. Chellis, preceptress of Black River Academy, Ludlow, spent her vacation in town at S. R. Bolton's.

'88. B. L. Brown has recovered from his sickness and resumed work in Moriah (N. Y.) Academy March 18.

'90. W. H. VanAllen was toastmaster at the first banquet of the "Corpse and Coffin," a celebrated Junior society, which has recently established a chapter at Syracuse.

'91. C. A. Willey has been elected a member of the *Ægis* board for the class of '91 of Dartmouth.

The following alumni have recently been elected members of county school boards in this State: Dr. L. D. Ross,'52, Poultney; Charles E. Abell,'62, Orwell; Pres. Ezra Brainerd, '64, Middlebury; Rev. E. J. Ranslow, '66, Swanton; T. P. D. Matthews, '70, Cornwall; Dr. C. W. Howard, '72, Shoreham; Dr. C. B. Ross, '82, West Rutland; E. E. Cowles, '84, Weybridge.

TO AN ALUMNUS.

Tho you've gone for many a year
From your Alma Mater's care,
If you wander far or near,
Well or ill you seem to fare,
Sometimes thoughts of her will rise,
Misty fancies faint and dim.
Old professors stern and wise
Peer at you with glances grim.
Long lost friends of college days
Speak again with mem'ry's tongue.
Half forgotten faces gaze.
Half forgotten songs are sung.
Once again beneath the trees
Now you wander to and fro,
Hear the whisper of the breeze,
As it whispered long ago,
And the chapel bell once more
Seems to call you with its chime,
Swinging, ringing in its tower,
As it rung at chapel time.
But the vision fades away,
And perhaps you heave a sigh
That these fancies will not stay,
Fancies of the days gone by.

College Notes.

The University of Pennsylvania has established a course in photography.

Amherst has prepared an extensive exhibit for the World's Fair at Paris.

We have seen the following item just fifty-three times this year. The last paper last to use it is the *University News:* "College journalism originated at Dartmouth in 1800, with Daniel Webster as one of the editors."

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